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## Specialist in Peace

Robert Komer, named by President Johnson on Tuesday to be a full-time specialist in "peaceful reconstruction in Vietnam," was deputy to McGeorge Bundy—Johnson's Special Assistant for National Security Affairs—until he resigned last month.

There had been speculation that Komer might be appointed to Bundy's post, but Mr. Johnson said Komer would have his hands full with this new and "very responsible" assignment.

Komer, a 44-year-old Chicagoan, is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Harvard and of the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration.

During the Second World War he won the Bronze Star as a 1st lieutenant in Europe. Komer then worked from 1947 to 1961 for the Central Intelligence Agency. With the CIA, he worked



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closely with the National Security Council and, in 1961, went to the White House as a staff assistant to Bundy.